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In re the Application of

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For: PEPTIDE FRAGMENTS OF CHOLERA TOXIN B OR ENTEROTOXIN B

AS VACCINE ADJUVANTS

Reply to an Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This document and its attachments are sent in reply to an Office Action dated August 2001. Please enter the following amendments for prosecution of this application as an RCE:

AMENDMENTS

In the specification:

Please replace lines 4 to 8 on page 40 of the specification with the following:

Figures 2A and 2B which show the identification of loop residues in CtxB involved in CD8+ T-cells apoptosis;

Figures 3A and 3B which show mutant B subunits defective in DC8+ T-cell apoptosis retain ability to bind to cell surface receptors;

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